

## 2019 BUDGET WORKSHOP \#6

November 07, 2018, 5:00 PM

Room 404, City Hall

# 2019 Budget / 2019 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) COUNCIL / STAFF WORKSHOP \#6 <br> November 07, 2018 5:00 PM <br> Room 404, City Hall 

## AGENDA

I. Budget Hearing
II. CIP Project Discussion by Category (page numbers from version 10.26.18)
a) Comprehensive Streets / Utility Improvements

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b) Other Streets
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c) Storm Water Utility
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i) Major Equipment
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III. Joint Discussion LRFC on use of Vehicle Registration Fee
IV. 2019 Budget Updates
a) Final ERP Numbers - Balanced as presented
b) Status of Levy
V. Budget amendments being proposed by Staff and Council
VI. Capital Improvement Program amendments being proposed by Staff and Council
VII. Remaining Milestones for 2019 Budget
a) 11/09/18 - Release Budget/CIP Amendment Sheet
b) 11/13/18 - Release Budget/CIP Amendment Sheet
c) 11/14/18 - Council Adopt 2019 Budget and 2019 Capital Improvement Program


## Vehicle Registration Fee (VRF) Facts

- VRF is permitted under State of Wisconsin Statues $\S 341.35$. Funds received from the VRF are only permitted to be utilized for transportation related purposes.
- VRF would be collected primarily from residents. State Statues exempt vehicles in excess of $8,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. from the fee. This means that businesses utilizing those larger vehicles would not pay the VRF.
- Municipally owned and State of Wisconsin owned vehicles are among the list of vehicles exempt from the VRF as identified in Wisconsin Statues $\S 341.35$.
- The street portion of special assessments could be eliminated if VRF is set high enough.
o This would not impact special assessments related to utilities, sidewalks or driveway aprons.
o If the street portion of the special assessments were eliminated, the City could reduce the need for borrowing, or increase the amount of streets being worked on.
- Property owners currently paying special assessments would still need to continue with their payments plus pay the VRF on their vehicles each year.
- Paying an annual VRF would help those homeowners who cannot afford making payments for a street special assessment.
- The City bills property owners for special assessments after the construction project is complete. Only the property owners adjacent to the street being work on are paying for the street repairs. One homeowner reported he was paying $\$ 266$ a month for the next 15 years for the total of his special assessments relating to a street reconstruction project. This total includes not only the street reconstruction portion, but also utility service lateral costs, sidewalk costs and driveway apron costs. If a VRF is instituted then all vehicles, registered in the City of Oshkosh, rated less than 8000 lbs . would be helping to pay for only that street portion of those costs.
- LRFC Motion - Is for the LRFC to advise the council to eliminate special assessments for street reconstruction projects for "Residential 1 properties" ${ }^{1} \&$ "Residential 2 properties" ${ }^{2}$ as defined in the City’s Special Assessment Policy.

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## 4 possible approaches to implementation of Vehicle Registration Fee

## Replace Special Assessments with VRF fee

## Analysis -

2017 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) \$1.7 million \$34 VRF/Actual \$2,072,980 \$41.50
2018 CIP - $\$ 1.1$ million $\$ 22.00$ VRF
2019 CIP - $\$ 1.1$ million $\$ 22.00$ VRF
*Assumption of 50,000 registered vehicles and does not include a reduction for fee charged by the Department Motor Vehicles (DMV). This fee is currently 17 cents per vehicle.

## Advantages -

- Elimination of Special Assessments
- Reduced Administration for Special Assessment Program
- No longer need to borrow General Obligation Debt for Special Assessments


## Disadvantages -

- Will need to continually update this fee annually to ensure adequate funding for special assessments
- Establishing a VRF fee based on CIP budget that is subject to change based on actual costs (see CIP 2017 above)
- Inequality for property owners who have paid or are paying for their special assessments
- The fee will be primarily be collected from residential home owners and small businesses
- Vehicles which weigh 8,000 pounds or more are not subject to VRF fee and they cause more wear/damage to roads


## $>$ Replace Special Assessments for "Residential 1" properties ${ }^{1}$ (single-family, and twofamily residences) with VRF fee

## Analysis -

2017 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) $\$ 800,000 \$ 16$ VRF
2018 CIP - $\$ 33$ Thousand $\$ .60$ VRF
2019 CIP - $\$ 600$ thousand $\$ 12.00$ VRF
*Assumption of 50,000 registered vehicles and does not include a reduction for fee charged by the Department Motor Vehicles (DMV). This fee is currently 17 cents per vehicle.

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## Advantages -

- Elimination of Special Assessments for "Residential 1" home owners
- Reduce borrowing for General Obligation Debt for Special Assessments
- Fund balance could be used for designated transportation project funding
- "Residential 2" properties ${ }^{2}$ will still be subject to special assessments


## Disadvantages -

- Will need to continually update this fee annually to ensure adequate funding for special assessments
- Inequality for property owners who have paid or are paying for their special assessments
- Vehicles which weigh 8,000 pounds or more are not subject to VRF and they cause more wear/damage to roads


## > Implement VRF, but cap "Residential 1" special assessments to a maximum street

 assessment of $\$ 5,000.00$ (VRF fees would be applied to the portion to street assessments amounts greater than $\$ \mathbf{5 , 0 0 0 . 0 0}$ )Financial analysis not provided at this time due to complexity of calculations

## Advantages -

- This cap would provide financial benefit property owners with a large frontage lots and corner lots
- Reduce borrowing for General Obligation Debt for Special Assessments in which property owners owe more than $\$ 5,000.00$
- Fund balance will need to be maintained to address variances in planed "Residential 1" street construction
- Fund balance could be used for designated transportation project funding
- "Residential 2" properties will still be subject to special assessments


## Disadvantages -

- Inequality for property owners who have paid or are paying for their special assessments
- The fee will be primarily be collected from residential home owners and small businesses which will have little to no benefit
- Vehicles which weigh 8,000 pounds or more are not subject to VRF and they cause more wear/damage to roads
- Inequality of benefit due to distribution being based on property size.
- Small lots in older residential areas will likely not benefit

[^2]Implement a VRF fee and adjust the percentages of assignment in "Residential 1" to an allocation of $\mathbf{2 0 \%}, \mathbf{6 0 \%}, \mathbf{2 0 \%}$. This is in lieu of the current allocation which is 33 $1 / 3 \%, 331 / 3 \%$, and $331 / 3 \%$.

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## Advantages -

- $40 \%$ Reduction in special assessments for "Residential 1"
- Equally applying the benefit to all residential homeowner that are in "Residential 1"
- Reduce borrowing for General Obligation Debt for Special Assessments
- Fund balance will need to be maintained to address variances in "Residential 1" street construction
- Fund balance could be used for designated transportation project funding
- The fee will be primarily be collected from "Residential 1" home owners which receive direct benefit if assessed in future
- "Residential 2" properties will still be subject to special assessments


## Disadvantages -

- Inequality for property owners who have paid or are paying for their special assessments
- Small businesses will contribute to VRF fee, but not receive benefit
- Vehicles which weigh 8,000 pounds or more are not subject to VRF and they cause more wear/damage to roads
Special Assessment Total Dollars History


Res 1
Res 2
Other

Total
Total Res
Street Miles
Total $\$ /$ Mile
Res $\$ /$ Mile

## City of Oshkosh <br> 2019 BUDGET AMENDMENTS <br> Council Shee EXHIBIT A

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Assessed Value - $\$ 3,723,405,332.00$

*All proposed amendments should be sent to Finance/City Manager's office on or before Friday at 9:00 a.m.

MILL RATE - CURRENT CONTINGENCY - CURRENT
ERP AVAILABLE

## ERP AVAILABLE

EXPENSES:
BATTALION CHIEF BACKFILL PAY
MASTER MECHANIC
CIVIL ENGINEER
CYBER INSURANCE POLICY
1 FTE FIREFIGHTER
FIREFIGHTER OT REDUCTION
PATROL SERGEANT
CORRIDOR PLAN
RENTAL INSPECTIONS
CONTINGENCY
LEVY REDUCTION/APPLY FUND BALANCE
. 5 CIVIL ENGINEER
DIGITAL EVIDENCE TECHNICIAN
EMPLOYEE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM
EMPLOYEE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM (MODIFIED)
2 FTE FIREFIGHTER
PROPOSED EXPENDITURE CHANGES

## REVENUES:

FUND BALANCE
MASTER MECHANIC REVENUE
CIVIL ENGINEER REVENUE
PROPOSED REVENUE CHANGES
NET IMPACT OF CHANGES
REMAINING CAPACITY (CONTINGENCY)
NET RATE IMPACT
\$ 10.50699468
\$ 78,500.00
\$ 400,000.00


EXHibit A


* Staff Amendments
** Council Amendments
11.07.18

* Assumes no future increases in Equalized Value over current January 1, 2018 actual.
** Includes future principal payments on additional debt issued in 2019 and beyond assuming a $5.0 \%$ interest rate and level payments with 10 and 20 year amortization.

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